

REMARKS

Claims 1-6, 8-9, and 14-20 are pending in the case. The Examiner's reconsideration of the rejections is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and the remarks.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that Claims 1-6, 8, 9 and 14-20 are allowed.

Claims 10-13 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ngo et al. (USPN 5,694,474) in view of Feng et al. (US Patent Application 2001/0031053) and further in view of Weinstein et al. (USPN 5,208,786). The Examiner stated essentially that the combined teachings of Ngo, Feng, and Weinstein teach or suggest all the limitations of Claims 10-13.

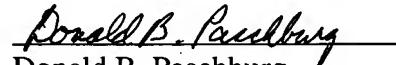
Claims 10-13 have been cancelled.

Reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

For the forgoing reasons, the present application, including Claims 1-6, 8-9, and 14-20, is believed to be in condition for allowance. The Examiner's early and favorable action is respectfully urged.

Respectfully Submitted,

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